

NORTH DAKOTA

The Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) is the primary form for requesting registration and/or an absentee ballot from your local election official. **Read all instructions printed below and on the FPCA before completing and signing your application.**

FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION

REGISTRATION AND ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST - FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION (FPCA)	
APPLICATION FOR STATE OF _____ COUNTY OF _____ CITY OR TOWNSHIP OF _____ §	
I REQUEST ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR ALL ELECTIONS IN WHICH I AM ELIGIBLE TO VOTE.	
1. APPLICANT INFORMATION (See instruction 1.) a. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) _____ b. SEX _____ c. RACE _____ d. DATE OF BIRTH _____ e. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____ f. OTHER IDENTIFICATION NO. (passport, ID card) _____ M M D D Y Y	6. POLITICAL PARTY AFFILIATION (This information is required by most states to send you a ballot for primary elections. See Instructions.) _____ 7. REMARKS (Provide additional information which will assist local election officials in determining your eligibility to register and vote. See Instructions.) _____
2. I LAST VOTED or PLACE OF LAST REGISTRATION (Do not leave this section blank. See instructions.) a. YEAR _____ b. COUNTY, CITY, OR TOWNSHIP _____ A c. STATE _____ d. VOTER REGISTRATION NO. (if known) _____	8. AFFIRMATION BY APPLICANT X only one: a, b, c or d I swear/affirm, under penalty of perjury, that I am: (See Instructions) a. a member of the Uniformed Services or merchant marine on active duty, or an eligible spouse or dependent. b. a U.S. citizen temporarily residing outside the U.S. c. a U.S. citizen overseas by virtue of employment or accompanying spouse or dependent. d. other U.S. citizen residing outside the U.S. e. I am a U.S. citizen, eligible to vote in the above jurisdiction, and subscribed to any required state/local oath or statement. f. I have not been convicted of a felony or other disqualifying offense or been adjudicated mentally incompetent, or if so, my voting rights have been reinstated. g. I am not registering, requesting a ballot, or voting in any other jurisdiction in the U.S. h. The information on this form is true and complete.
3. VOTING RESIDENCE (For military, legal residence. For overseas civilians, last residence in U.S. IF USING RURAL ROUTE, SEE INSTRUCTIONS.) a. LAST DATE OF RESIDENCY _____ M M D D Y Y b. NUMBER AND STREET (Do not use Post Office Box) _____ c. CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE _____ B d. STATE _____ e. COUNTY OR PARISH _____ f. ZIP CODE (9 -digit, if known) _____	i. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT _____ D j. DATE _____ M M D D Y Y
4. MAIL ABSENTEE BALLOT TO: (Mailing address where you want the ballot to be sent.) _____ _____ _____ C _____ _____ _____	9. WITNESS/NOTARY ADDRESS AND SIGNATURE (If required by state law) DATE SIGNED _____ M M D D Y Y
5. YOUR FAX NUMBER (If this application is faxed, include all international prefixes. See instructions.) _____ _____	

The information contained herein is for official use only. Any unauthorized release of this information may be punishable by law.

Application Instructions

Circled letters on the form above correspond to the instructions below. **You must complete all shaded areas.**

A. Do not leave blank. Enter "N/A" if not applicable or if you are a first time voter.

B. Provide the complete street address of your North Dakota voting residence. A post office box is not sufficient. If your address includes a rural route, describe its location. For example: "on Highway _____, 2 miles past Highway _____, across the street from the _____

gas station." This address must be different from the one provided in Item 4 and must be within the county or township where you claim legal voting residence.

C. Print the complete address where you want your ballot sent — usually your current mailing address. Your current mailing address must be different from the address you provided in Item 3.

D. The applicant must sign and date the FPCA for it to be processed by the local election official.

I. UNIFORMED SERVICES

A. Who Can Do It

These procedures apply to persons who are U.S. citizens, residents of North Dakota and members of the Uniformed Services and their family members. Uniformed Services are defined as the U.S. Armed Forces, merchant marine, commissioned corps of the Public Health Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

B. When To Do It

You may use a single FPCA to request ballots for all elections within a calendar year (for local, state and Federal offices).

North Dakota has no voter registration.

- (1) **To request an absentee ballot**, the county auditor must receive your FPCA at any time in an election year.
- (2) Postmark your voted ballot before election day.
- (3) Return your voted ballot to the county auditor so that it arrives before the county canvassing board meets which is usually 3 days after the election and as many as 6 days after the election.

Local election officials mail ballots approximately 40 days before the election.

If you are outside the U.S. and have not received your state ballot in a timely manner, use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot. See instruction in Chapter 2, page 12.

C. Oath/Witness Requirements

No voting materials are sworn to or witnessed.

D. Electronic Transmission of FPCAs and Ballots

- North Dakota allows you to send the FPCA for ballot request by fax. After faxing, submit the FPCA by mail.
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Please refer to Appendix C for specific instructions when transmitting election materials electronically. **Use only the following numbers:**

DSN 223-5527

(703) 693-5527

1-800-368-8683

E. Application For Ballot By Agent

Any person acting as an agent on your behalf may request an application for an absentee ballot for you. The request can be made by telephone or in person at the county auditor's office.

F. Special Write-in Absentee Ballot

North Dakota provides a state special write-in absentee ballot available before an election if you will be unable to vote by regular absentee ballot or in person due to requirements of military service or due to living in extremely remote areas of the world.

The FPCA may be used to request this state special write-in ballot. In Item 7 of the FPCA, place one of the state special write-in labels from Section III.C. If no labels are available, write in Item 7: "I am unable to vote by regular absentee ballot or in person due to requirements of military service or due to living in extremely remote areas of the world. I request a special write-in absentee ballot."

The state special write-in ballot may be requested at any time before the election. It may be used to vote for presidential electors, members of the U.S. Senate and members of the U.S. House of Representatives. Vote it by writing in a party preference for each office, the names of specific candidates for each office or the name of the person whom you prefer for each office.

Instructions continue in Section III: Uniformed Services & Civilians Outside U.S.

II. CIVILIANS OUTSIDE U.S.

A. Who Can Do It

These procedures apply to persons who are U.S. citizens, residents of North Dakota and overseas citizens. The term "overseas citizen" means a U.S. citizen who resides outside the U.S. and (but for such residence) would be qualified to vote in North Dakota.

- residents of North Dakota temporarily residing outside the U.S. (for local, state and Federal office ballots)
- overseas citizens (for Federal office ballots only)

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III. UNIFORMED SERVICES & CIVILIANS OUTSIDE U.S.

A. Bars to Registration and Voting

Persons convicted of treason or another felony (unless civil rights are restored) or found mentally incompetent by a court or other authority having jurisdiction (unless order is rescinded) may not vote.

B. Where To Send It

Mail the FPCA to the County Auditor, county of voting residence, as listed below:

County	County Seat	Zip Code
Adams	Hettinger	58639-0589
Barnes	Valley City	58072-2947
Benson	Minnewaukan	58351-0206
Billings	Medora	58645-0168
Bottineau	Bottineau	58318-1204
Bowman	Bowman	58623-0439
Burke	Bowbells	58721-0310

County	County Seat	Zip Code	County	County Seat	Zip Code
Burleigh	Bismarck	58502-5518	Nelson	Lakota	58344-0585
Cass	Fargo	58108-2806	Oliver	Center	58530-0188
Cavalier	Langdon	58249-2457	Pembina	Cavalier	58220-4100
Dickey	Ellendale	58436-0215	Pierce	Rugby	58368-1805
Divide	Crosby	58730-0049	Ramsey	Devils Lake	58301-2420
Dunn	Manning	58642-0105	Ransom	Lisbon	58054-0668
Eddy	New Rockford	58356-1698	Renville	Mohall	58761-0668
Emmons	Linton	58552-0128	Richland	Wahpeton	58075-4400
Foster	Carrington	58421-0104	Rolette	Rolla	58367-0939
Golden Valley	Beach	58621-0067	Sargent	Forman	58032-0177
Grand Forks	Grand Forks	58206-5726	Sheridan	McClusky	58463-0636
Grant	Carson	58529-0227	Sioux	Fort Yates	58538-0529
Griggs	Cooperstown	58425-0511	Slope	Amidon	58620-0449
Hettinger	Mott	58646-0668	Stark	Dickinson	58601-0130
Kidder	Steele	58482-0167	Steele	Finley	58230-0275
LaMoure	LaMoure	58458-0128	Stutsman	Jamestown	58401-4210
Logan	Napoleon	58561-7010	Towner	Cando	58324-0603
McHenry	Towner	58788-0147	Traill	Hillsboro	58045-0429
McIntosh	Ashley	58413-0019	Walsh	Grafton	58237-1535
McKenzie	Watford City	58854-0543	Ward	Minot	58702-5005
McLean	Washburn	58577-1108	Wells	Fessenden	58438-0037
Mercer	Stanton	58571-0039	Williams	Williston	58802-2047
Morton	Mandan	58554-3124			
Mountrail	Stanley	58784-0069			

“A Vote Today Is A Guaranteed Investment For Tomorrow”

by SSgt Trevius C. Wells, MAFB, North Dakota

If needed, place one of the following stick-on labels in Item 7 of the FPCA:

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